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Small businesses boosted as deadline to claim flood recovery costs extended

Business owners impacted by floods in 2022 who are still waiting for quotes, materials or tradespeople to complete repairs will now have more time to submit claims for their grants.

Applicants still need to apply for the following grants by 30 June 2023, but once the application is successful the deadline for claims will be extended to 15 December 2023:

- Small Business \$50,000 Grant for the February and March 2022 floods
- Northern Rivers Medium Business \$200,000 Grant for the February and March 2022 floods
- Northern Rivers Commercial Property Grant for the February and March 2022 floods
- Small Business Grant for the June and July 2022 floods

Business owners affected by the September 2022 floods will also have more time to apply for a \$50,000 Small Business Grant, with the NSW Government extending the deadline for both applications and claims to 15 December 2023.

Visit: www.service.nsw.gov.au

Butec for alleviation of pain

Butec OTM is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory (NSAID) for the alleviation of pain associated with routine husbandry procedures in cattle and sheep.

Contains: 10 mg/mL MELOXICAM
Available in a convenient 450 mL plastic bottle or in a promotional pack (2 x 450 mL including an applicator gun). Applicator guns for calves and lambs are also sold separately.

Proudly developed and made in Australia in association with AWI, MLA and CSIRO.



Town and Country Rural Supplies Open Day 2023

Town and Country Rural Supplies open day in June was a huge success. We had more than 15 suppliers showcasing their products and sharing valuable information plus great end of financial year prices to our clients. We thank both customers and suppliers for their continued support. Watch our open day video here www.townandcountrybathurst.com.au/promotions



IMPROVING LAMB SURVIVAL

Maximising lamb survival has a positive impact on animal welfare and the sheep producer's profit. Recent research has demonstrated strategies that can be implemented to improve lamb survival.

Mismothering is the most significant cause of lamb death and a high proportion is due to dystocia (lambing difficulties). Ewes that have prolonged and difficult births do not show effective maternal behaviour and are more likely to reject lambs (mismothering) or have lambs that are unable to nurse adequately (starve).

Source: <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/nlis/sheep-and-goat-electronic-identification>



How to minimise lambing difficulties:

- Include Lambing Ease in your ASBV selection criteria (if possible) and assign a culling/management score to sheep that have lambing difficulties.
- Scan ewes to determine the number of lambs that they are carrying and manage accordingly.
- Ensure appropriate nutrition during pregnancy and lambing.
- Maintain a young flock (aged ewes are more likely to have lambing difficulties in general).
- Provide good shelter for lambing ewes.
- Provide calcium and magnesium supplements for twin bearing ewes on cereal or lush pasture.

Local Land Services recently did a presentation on how to maximise lamb survival. Access the presentation here:

www.townandcountrybathurst.com.au/publications

Sheep and Goat Individual Electronic Identification

NSW is currently transitioning to mandatory individual electronic identification for sheep and goats.



In September 2022, all agricultural ministers in Australia agreed to work towards mandatory implementation of sheep and goat eIDs nation-wide by 1 January 2025.

NSW DPI and representatives from sectors across the sheep and goat industries have worked together closely to develop an implementation plan for mandatory sheep and goat eID's in NSW. All representatives sit on the NSW eID Sheep and Goat Reference Group.

For more information visit www.townandcountrybathurst.com.au/publications

NSW is the largest sheep and goat producing state in Australia, with State sheep numbers reaching 24.6 million head in the 2021-22 year. Accurate and timely traceability is essential to reduce the time to respond and manage disease or residue incidents, and to provide confidence to consumers. Strong traceability also allows Australia to maintain its hard-won reputation as a producer of 'clean, green and disease free' food and fibre.

NSW implementation timeline



Bathurst Uniting Support Services is looking for donations!

Bathurst Uniting Support Services works with people in the addiction space and vulnerable people in the community. If you know someone who needs help please call the welfare phone on 0455 328 966. We are looking for 4 - 6 man tents, sleeping bags down to - 6°C for people sleeping rough, blankets, doonas, pillows, sheets and towels, men's and women's winter clothing, shoes, socks, underwear, Tea, coffee, sugar and long life milk.

www.bathurstunitingchurch.com.au/team/buss/



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